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SUBJECT: AEROPERU DISSATISFIED WITH CONDITIONS PLACED ON
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1. JUNE 17 AT 1700 SOTO, PRESIDENT OF AEROPERU, CALLED FAA REPRESENTATIVE IRISH TO HIS OFFICE TO DISCUSS THE DECISION OF THE CAB ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WHICH HE SAID HE HAD JUST RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON. SOTO VIGOROUSLY PROTESTED THE TWO CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED TO THE CAB BOARD REGARDING TARIFFS AND SIXTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC. HE SAID THE AIR MINISTER HAD THE MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION AT THAT MOMENT AND WOULD NOTIFY HIM OF CONCLUSIONS LATER IN THE EVENING.

2. SOTO POINTED OUT THAT AIR PANAMA IS ALLOWED SIXTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC TO AND FROM THE UNITED STATES, AND THAT APSA'S PERMIT ALSO ALLOWED SIXTH FREEDOM TRAFFIC. AEROPERU IN FACT MADE THIS POINT IN ITS APPLICATION FOR AN OPERATING PERMIT. HE ASKED FOR OUR COOPERATION IN HAVING THE UNACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS REMOVED, NOTING THAT NORMAL CONSULTATION PROCEDURES COULD NOT BE CARRIED OUT IN TIME TO MEET THE JULY 28 DATE

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AEROPERU HAS SET FOR INAUGURATION OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES.

3. TODAY'S LIMA NEWSPAPERS CARRY FRONTPAGE STORIES ABOUT THE "UNACCEPTABLE OBSTACLES" THE UNITED STATES IS PLACING IN THE PATH OF AEROPERU'S INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS. MATTER IS ALSO SURE TO BE DISCUSSED AT TODAY'S CABINET MEETING IN VIEW OF BOTH PRESIDENT VELASCO'S AND AIR MINISTER GILARDI'S INTEREST IN AEROPERU.

4. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE IT LIKELY THAT STRONG GOP STAND RE BRANIFF FREQUENCIES, AS REFLECTED IN JUNE 14 MEMORANDUM TO BRANIFF, WAS BASED ON KNOWLEDGE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RECOMMENDATION TO CAB BOARD. IT IS UNFORTUNATE, BUT WE BELIEVE MY CHANCE TO NEGOTIATE AND RESOLVE BRANIFF PROBLEM WILL DEPEND ON SOME COMMITMENT AS TO USG WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO AEROPERU'S COMPLAINTS. ON LATTER POINT PLEASE ADVISE IF PREVIOUS APSA AND SATCO PERMITS AUTHORIZED CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS BETWEEN THE US AND POINTS SOUTH OF PERU.
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